
635 Forest Ave - permit #00802

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Mon, Jun 5, 2017 at 9:16 AM

Hi Myles,

I have started review of your application for a barber shop at 635 Forest Ave.

I checked the permitting history for this property, which is rather sparse. However, it appears that the last permit issued (in 1993) listed the use of the building as a hair salon. Under zoning, a hair salon is considered a "personal services" use, along with tattoo shops and barber shops.

Your project does not technically require a change of use permit, as it is considered the same use ("personal services") as the existing use. However, I could not find a Certificate of Occupancy for the space, which may be required by the state for barber shop licensing. If so, we are happy to continue processing your application to establish the use so that we can ultimately issue a Certificate of Occupancy. If you do not need a Certificate of Occupancy, you are welcome to withdraw the permit application since it is not otherwise necessary.

Please let me know how you wish to proceed.

Sincerely,
Chris

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Wed, Jun 7, 2017 at 5:29 PM

Hi Chris, thanks for the response. I guess there was some confusion about what was required. I had called the zoning office twice thinking this was likely unnecessary but was told I should indeed go through with the permitting application. It sounds like withdrawing the application should be fine.

Thanks again

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Thu, Jun 8, 2017 at 2:37 PM

Did you ever talk to the Zoning Administrator, Ann Machado (my supervisor)? I'd ask her but she's away on vacation right now. If she gave you advice to apply, there may be some reason I'm not aware of.

If you just talked to the front desk staff (by calling the main number), you probably got incorrect information. They try to give people the most accurate information they can, but they are not as versed in the zoning ordinance as me and Ann are.

Chris

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Fri, Jun 9, 2017 at 5:24 PM

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I don't believe I ever spoke with Ann. It must have been front desk staff.

Thanks again for taking the time to look this over

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